

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A point-of-care decision support system comprising:

a hand-held terminal usable during examination and providing a display and physician input device;

a terminal server communicating with the hand-held terminal and executing a stored program to:

(a) present on the display of the hand-held terminal a navigation menu presenting diagnosis codes representing different medical diagnoses and, wherein the navigation menu is configured to restrict access to additional support features related to a treatment of a medical diagnosis represented by the specific diagnosis code until a diagnosis code is selected;

(b) accept from the physician input device of the hand-held terminal a selection identifying a specific diagnosis code from the diagnosis codes; and

(c) enable physician access to additional physician support features related to a treatment of a medical diagnosis represented by the specific diagnosis code in response to the selection identifying the specific diagnosis code.

2. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the additional physician support features include printing of patient handouts related to about at least one of the diagnosis represented by the specific diagnosis code and the treatment of the medical diagnosis.

3. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the additional physician support features include printing of a prescription for the treatment of the medical diagnosis.

4. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the additional physician support features include display of physician educational information related to about at least one of the diagnosis represented by the specific diagnosis code and treatment of the medical diagnosis.

5. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 4 wherein the additional physician support features include hyperlinks to other physician educational information.

6. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the terminal server further accepts from the physician input device of the hand-held terminal a selection identifying a specific patient, and wherein the additional physician support features include display of a history of related diagnoses and treatments for the patient.

7. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 6 wherein the display of a—the history of related diagnoses and treatments for the patient includes identification of at least one medication used in the treatment.

8. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the diagnosis codes are codes of the international Classification of Diseases developed by the World Heath Organization.

9. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the selection is a direct selection of a diagnosis code displayed by the navigation menu.

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 10—1 wherein the navigation menu displays linked diagnosis codes and treatment options and the selection is a direct selection of a treatment option.

12. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the additional physician support features include a listing of

treatment options related to for treating an ailment identified by the specific diagnosis code.

13. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 12 wherein the listing of treatment options related to for treating the ailment identified by the specific diagnosis code is sorted in relation to the a frequency by which the treatments are used by the a physician using the hand-held terminal.

14. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the additional physician support features include a listing of treatment options related to the specific drugs associated with treating the medical diagnosis represented by the specific diagnosis code.

15. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the additional physician support features include access to a searchable database of drugs.

16. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the terminal server and the hand-held terminal provide interfaces connecting to the Internet and wherein the terminal server connects with the hand-held terminal via the Internet.

17. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the hand-held terminal provides a wireless link communicating with the terminal server.

18. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the physician input device is selected from a keyboard and stylus entry device.

19. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1 wherein the display is a graphic display providing for the display of text and images.

20. (Previously Presented) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 19 wherein display provides a resolution of at least 600 by 200 pixels.

21. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1, wherein the ~~navigation menu lists diagnosis codes~~ diagnosis codes representing different medical diagnoses are arranged in a list within the ~~navigation menu that is organized~~ based on a frequency of their prior use by a particular physician.

22. (Currently Amended) The point-of-care decision support system of claim 1, wherein the ~~navigation menu lists of diagnosis codes~~ representing different medical diagnoses are arranged in a list within the navigation menu that is organized is-based on a frequency of their prior use by a predefined group of physicians.